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Senate will not support new grading system

Citing the negative effects it would have at UNO, the proposed plus/minus system of grades mustered little support at Student Senate's Thursday meeting.

In this system, an A-minus would equal a 3.67 and a B-plus would be a 3.33. A B-plus is currently worth 3.5 on the GPA scale.

Student Senate debated a resolution calling for a condemnation of the proposed change. This statement said that a change in the grading system would "lower a student's current GPA, making it less marketable for resumes, job applications and awards." Andrew Barry wrote the resolution and presented a petition signed by several UNO students against the plus/minus system.

Early in the debate, Joel Richter saw merit in the change. The flexibility in grades offered would make grading easier for professors.

"UNO is not just a simple institution," he said.

Stephanie Trudell feared that students in the Honors Program and Engineering might fall short of the GPA requirement if B-pluses were lowered in value.

Students on the borderline of failing out of school would have more trouble if C-minuses were worth less than a 2.0. She said that stricter class requirements are the answer.



Student Senate member Dominic Romeo counts off the many reasons why he is not in support of a plus/minus grading system.

Members of Student Senate said that Harvard and MIT use only whole-letter grades, so there is no high-pressure reason to change. However, according to their respective Web sites, Harvard uses plus/minus and MIT is experimenting with different systems, including only pass/fail for freshmen. Eighty

five percent of universities use plus/minus grades.

Student President/Regent Will Marunda felt there had not been enough discussion on this topic in the past.

"I would hate to see marginal students lose financial aid for school," he said.

Executive Treasurer Jayme Hansen said that with the change in grading scale, many awards may change their requirements to reflect the new system.

Concerns about graduate school admissions were also voiced.

Barry worried that students with a 2.5 (B minus/C plus) would be rejected for medical school. Tony Krause was not so concerned about this, saying UNO's primary mission is to prepare students for work, not continuing education.

Considering top achievers, a plus/minus system could be helpful, said Christine Barnes. Having a difference between an A plus and an A minus would "balance the scales."

In the end, Student Senate unanimously voted in favor of accepting the resolution, thereby showing official disapproval of the proposed grading system change. Faculty Senate votes on this issue April 11.

Regents pass budget increase Students to pay more tuition

Melissa Kucirek

Only two Nebraska Regents voted against the proposed amendment to increase tuition laid before the Board of Regents at the April 7 meeting in Lincoln.

Regents Chuck Hassebrook and Jay Matzke chose not to favor the 10.1 percent tuition increase for the 2001-2002 fiscal year.

However, the proposal was passed by the 6-2 vote.

University of Nebraska President L. Dennis Smith presented the budget proposal as a "three-pronged approach." The plan first calls for an increase of resident students. Second, it calls for an increased number of non-resident students. And third, an increase of tuition rates would be needed.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln had been ranked third among 11 peer institutions between 1998-1999. UNO was ranked sixth among 10 peer institutions, while University of Nebraska at Kearney was ranked eighth among 10 peer institutions.

During the fiscal year 1998-1999, UNO compared \$3,311 to its peer institutions' \$4,158 revenue from tuition and fees. UNL differed \$2,198 from its peer institutions, while UNK differed \$1,003. The University of Nebraska Medical Center compared higher than its peer groups, with \$6,392 compared to its peer institutions' \$5,245.



Regent Chuck Hassebrook voted against the tuition increase that was approved Saturday.

Regent Charles Wilson said he supported the tuition increase because of the desire for quality. In addition, he said retaining resident students translated into a better-paid faculty.

"The students are saying 'it's going to hurt, but we're willing to do it to have a better university,'" Wilson said.

UNO Student President/Regent Will Marunda shared many of the same views as UNL Student President/Regent Nathan Fuerst, UNMC Student President/Regent Javine Winterboer and UNK Student President/Regent Ryan Samuelson.

Samuelson said the benefits of

increased tuition will be better faculty and better academic resources.

Fuerst said UNL students expressed two major concerns to him, income-based aid and out-of-state recruitment.

"Many understand the commitment to improving our academic environment," Fuerst said.

Much discussion followed Regent Drew Miller's opposition to need-based scholarships. Miller emphasized his support of merit-based scholarships.

"A college education is the best

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Faculty convocation honors lasting contributions.

Melissa Kucirek

"To make a lasting contribution to the lives of countless individuals."

Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Derek Hodgson not only expressed his opinion of the honored recipients of the excellence in teaching awards, but that of the students who nominated the professors.

Hodgson presented James Johnson, Theresa Barron-McKeagney and Peter Wolcott with the UNO Excellence in Teaching Award at the April 5 Faculty

Honors Convocation held in the Milo Bail Student Center ballroom. Each was presented with a \$1,500 award and a plaque.

In addition to this award, several other honorees were presented with accolades for their service and commitment to UNO.

Johnson, of the music department, has forefronted the double enrollment increase of the keyboard department. Hodgson said students described Johnson as being inspirational, available and a mentor who instills in

the students a belief in themselves and in their talents.

"I will confess that I am almost always uncomfortable at his presence because his is an enormous talent and it makes me feel inadequate and trivial," Hodgson said.

Barron-McKeagney, from the College of Public Affairs and Community Service social work department, was described by Hodgson as an inspiration for students by her own dedication. She is involved in the First-Year Experience Program, and in particular, the Latina student population.

"She has more relatives than any of us," Hodgson said. "Because her students say they all feel like family by the end of the semester."

Information Systems and Quantitative Analysis Professor Wolcott's students described him as demanding. He teaches them not only what to learn, but why they are learning it.

"He challenges them, he inspires them, and he is always available to them," Hodgson said.

The Alumni Outstanding Teacher Awards were presented to Jeremy

see Excellence, page 11



James Johnson (above left), Theresa Barron-McKeagney (p.11) and Peter Wolcott (above right) were all honored with the excellence award.

Inter-Tribal Student Council carries on native tradition

Katie Mullin

Singing, dancing and beating drums kicked off the third annual Inter-Tribal Student Council Pow Wow Saturday afternoon in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation building.

Over 500 Native Americans of all ages from Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Wyoming joined students, faculty and staff from UNO for the student-organized event.

"The Pow Wow is to spread multicultural awareness and to celebrate our heritage and carry on tradition," said Dori Buffalohead, a member of the Inter-Tribal Student Council and one of the event's organizers.

The celebration included traditional Native American dancing and host drums Rocking Horse of Ponca City, Okla., Mah'piya Luta of Pine Ridge, S.D. and Tha Tribe of Lawrence, Kan., who sang on the album that won the Grammy Award for Best Native American Drum Group Performance.

Participants also got the chance to browse through the booths of the various vendors including featured artist Fernando Coriz of Santo Domingo Pueblo, N.M. Coriz displayed a small exhibit of Native American artwork and jewelry.

Activities for the day-long event were made possible through sponsorships obtained by the Inter-Tribal Student Council, Buffalohead said.

The annual Pow Wow is just one of the events organized by the Inter-Tribal Student Council. The organization also participates in

tutoring activities with Omaha Public Schools, Buffalohead said.

In conjunction with the Pow Wow, UNO joined Creighton University for the fifth annual Native American Retreat, which began Thursday, April 5, and continued through the weekend.

The retreat provided an opportunity for Native American high school students across the country to spend time on a college campus.

"The purpose behind the retreat is to expose Native American students to college life and encourage them to pursue higher education," Buffalohead said in a press release.

Theresa Foley, president of the Inter-Tribal Student Council said the retreats are a necessary tool in keeping the students interested in school.

"It's really important because we have a lot of Native American kids dropping out of school," Foley said. "We're helping them realize that college can be a reality for them."



Above: Denine Parker (right) with her four-year old daughter Katie at the Pow Wow Saturday.



Left: Young boys speak to a native dancer.

The purpose of the Pow Wow is to spread multicultural awareness and to celebrate Native American heritage and tradition. It is sponsored annually by the Inter-Tribal Student Council.

An ocean of formulas



Mark J. Ablowitz of the University of Colorado - Boulder discusses mathematics and its relevance to the ocean. Last week's lecture was held in the

Durham Science Center and was part of the Math Symposium, which kicked off Math Awareness Month.



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Social work students organize multicultural conference

Nicole Patterson

"The people on our planet are not standing in a single-file line. Look closely — everyone is really standing in a circle, holding hands. Whatever you give to the person standing next to you, it eventually comes back to you."

This is the mission statement of a multicultural conference that is being held in the Milo Bail Student Center on Friday, April 20.

The focus of the conference is on multiracial and multicultural issues in Omaha. It is being held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature several speakers who will talk to both students and businesses on how to work with people of diverse backgrounds.

The conference has been organized by five UNO students — Emily Scott, Nancy Vrbka, Steph Engelbart, Shawn Ryba and Carrie Herling.

"I became involved because this is a subject that I believe in and I'm also concerned with," said Engelbart, a junior social work major. Engelbart created the logo for the conference, helped make phone calls, handed out brochures and will help with the luncheon on the day of the conference.

Scott said the students had to give a Power Point presentation to the Chancellor Nancy Belck and

"We need to promote differences and learn from each other, Nebraska tends to push everything to the side and not touch on racial issues."

Emily Scott
UNO student
Conference co-organizer

had to reach out to the community by calling agencies and mailing brochures.

Although the students organized the event in about three months almost entirely without the aid of a professor, they did have a little help with the idea, which came from Teresa Barron McKeagney. She told the students about a man who traveled around the country and spoke to different groups about multiracial and multicultural issues.

Barron McKeagney put out the idea for a conference and the students ran with it. She has been there for the students to answer questions and give advice.

"Teresa's been our guide and mentor," said Nancy Vrbka, a senior social work major.

Vrbka said the conference will have about 15 speakers, and will be split up into four 45-minute sessions

discussing the Native American community, the homosexual community, the Latino community and multiracial adoption.

Specific topics include Bill Harriott's presentation "White Male — the Double Privilege," and keynote speaker Dr. Wynetta Devore, a professor at Syracuse University in New York, will address the "Ethnic Aspect of Social Work and being sensitive towards their culture."

Vrbka feels the conference is something that will "make the communities more aware and to help break down barriers."

Anyone interested in the event can attend, and prices for businesses are \$50 and \$20 for students. The money raised by the conference will cover the cost of the brochures, fliers and food for the conference.

Graduate assistant Shawn Ryba said he hopes the conference become an annual event and encourages other students to keep up the tradition after he and the other organizers have graduated.

"We need to promote differences and learn from each other," Scott said. "Nebraska tends to push everything to the side and not touch on racial issues."

To attend the conference, students must RSVP to Teresa Barron McKeagney at 554-2923 by this Friday.

UNMC affiliates among America's top doctors

Josie Loza

The eight Nebraska physicians who were named to the 2001 America's Top Doctors List are all affiliated with the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

The Top Doctors List is a yearly publication provided by Castle Connolly Medical LTD. That identifies top specialists for care and treatment of more than 1,700 diseases and medical conditions.

"I was pretty surprised because it's usually not doctors like me who work behind the scenes most of them are surgeons or interns," said Dennis Weisenburger, M.D., professor of pathology/microbiology. "I think that it is an honor and an excellent reflection of UNMC."

There are agencies that rate physicians for the Best Doctor's category in their specialty, said Donald Leopold, M.D., chairman and professor of the UNMC Otolaryngology (head and neck) department.

The agency's research team contacted more than 250,000 physicians throughout the United States to nominate the top doctors. Members of Physician's On-Line, the nations' largest online group of physicians, also participated in the surveys. After

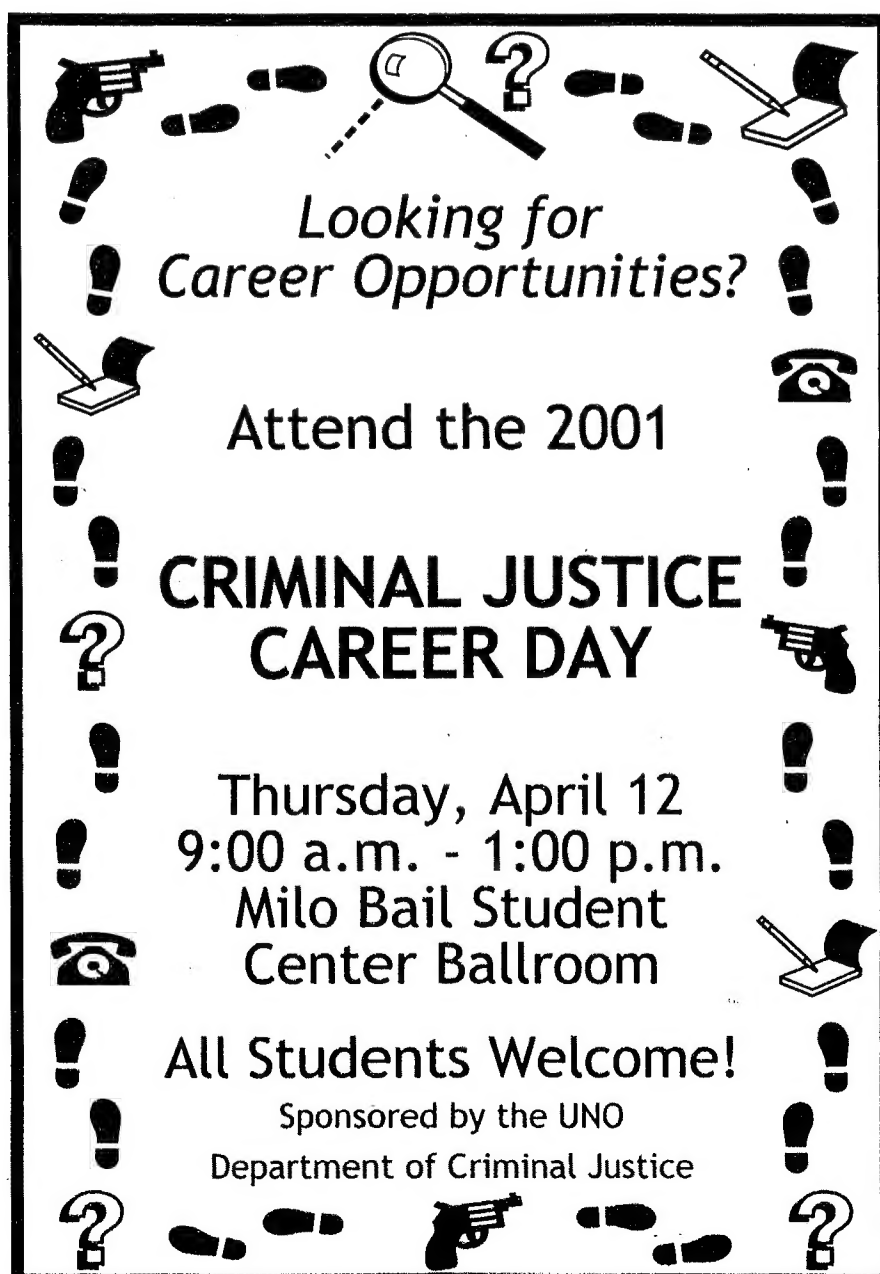
reviewing professional backgrounds and disciplinary and license histories, the list of 18,000 nominees were narrowed to 3,969 of America's Top Doctors.

These six physicians who were recognized are full-time faculty members at UNMC:

James Armitage, M.D., dean of the College of Medicine; Donald Leopold, M.D., chairman and professor, otolaryngology; James Neff, M.D., professor, orthopedic surgery; Byers (Bud) W. Shaw Jr., M.D., chairman and professor of surgery; Michael Sorrell, M.D., professor, internal medicine; and Dennis Weisenburger, M.D., professor of pathology/microbiology.

Other private practice physicians and UNMC volunteer clinical faculty that were honored are:

Steven Denenberg, M.D., clinical assistant professor of otolaryngology and Alan Thorson, M.D., clinical associate professor of colon and rectal surgery.



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Above: More than 6,000 children and their parents attended the 12th annual KAT 103-FM Easter egg hunt in Elmwood Park. These children wait for the signal to "go" in the race to find the eggs.

Left: Six year-old Hailey (left) and her 3-year-old brother Spencer are looking in all the wrong places for the elusive Easter eggs.

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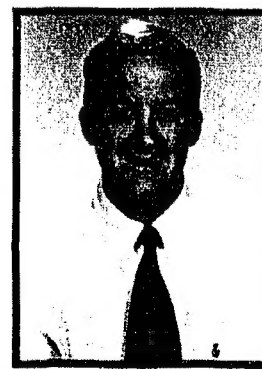
and Finalists.

William's accomplishments include: UNomaha Student Government Student Senator, UNomaha Student Government Student President, Lambda Chi Alpha Vice-President, Treasurer, and Recruitment Chair, General Military Corps Cadet, Student Leadership Team Assistant Coordinator, member of Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Society, Pi Gamma Mu Social Science Honor Society member, Student Ambassador for the UNomaha Aviation Institute, UNomaha Student Government delegate to COSGA, Maverick Beef Club member, member of Blue Line Club, Multicultural Affairs Student Advisory Board, volunteer for the UNomaha Athletic Department, Silver Key Academic Honors Society, Network for disABLED Students, and has been a member of the Vice Chancellor's Student Leadership Committee.



Crystalynn Billings

Finalists



Clint Rushing

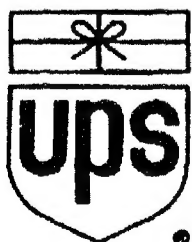
Marunda will be honored at the Student Leaders Reception on April 11 along with Clint, Crystalynn and other student leaders. Student Organizations and Leadership Programs is a unit of Student Affairs

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Panelists agree privacy isn't part of politics

Linda Sedjro

Four panelists spoke to high school students from the Omaha metropolitan area at the UNO communication department's annual high school journalism conference April 4.

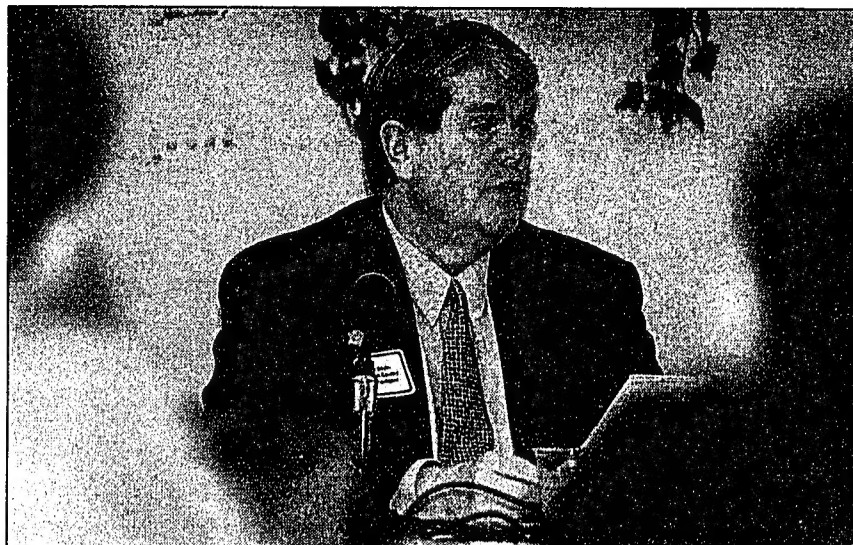
The panelists discussed "Privacy and Politicians: The Public's Right to know vs. a Politician's Right to Privacy" in the Alumni Center's Bootstrapper Hall.

KETV Channel 7 anchor and reporter Pamela Jones moderated the meeting by asking the four panelists questions prepared from the high students in attendance.

Several questions asked when it was appropriate to report politicians' private lives. Did journalists have the right to do so? All the panelists had different approaches as how to report politicians private lives, but they all agreed that the public has the right to know the life of whomever wants to run for public office.

Doug Parrott, senior partner and director of public relations at Bozell Worldwide, said "If you run for public office, part of your life becomes an open book and journalists would try to find out what your life is. A lot of information gathered from interest groups, opponents are sent to reporters."

He said that if someone is running for public office and doesn't have a public record, "journalists have a right to look into how you operate in a private life a way to hold elected officials of what they have



Douglas County Commissioner and former Omaha Mayor Mike Boyle discusses the issue of privacy in the political world with students at the annual high school journalism conference.

promised to the public."

Scott Moore, former secretary of state of Nebraska and current director of government affairs at Union Pacific Railroad, said "Anything is a public record. You don't do something in the past and think it isn't a fair game."

Mike Boyle, Douglas County commissioner and former Omaha mayor, also believed that the public has the right to know the private life of politicians, but he said the most important thing to know is if the journalists are presenting both sides

of the story. Mike Holmes, Associated Press bureau chief in Omaha, said, "If you have done something in your life and you don't want people to read it, don't run for public office."

Moderator Jones ended the politician and journalist discussion by emphasizing the general consortium of the panelists.

"As long as there are public officials, privacy would never end," Jones said.

The 100 high school students who attended the conference were recognized for newspapers categories in best layout,

"If you run for public office, part of your life becomes an open book and journalists would try to find out what your life is. A lot of information gathered from interests groups, opponents are sent to reporters."

Doug Parrott
Bozell Worldwide

best photograph and best in-depth story. For the first time, UNO's High School Journalism Contest included a Sweepstakes Award honoring the school in each division with the most accumulated points across all categories.

Omaha Westside High School's publication the "Lance" took many awards, as did Marian High School's "The Network."

Krystal Overmyer from Millard North High School said, "It was great to see all of us come together to get this award for our hard work."

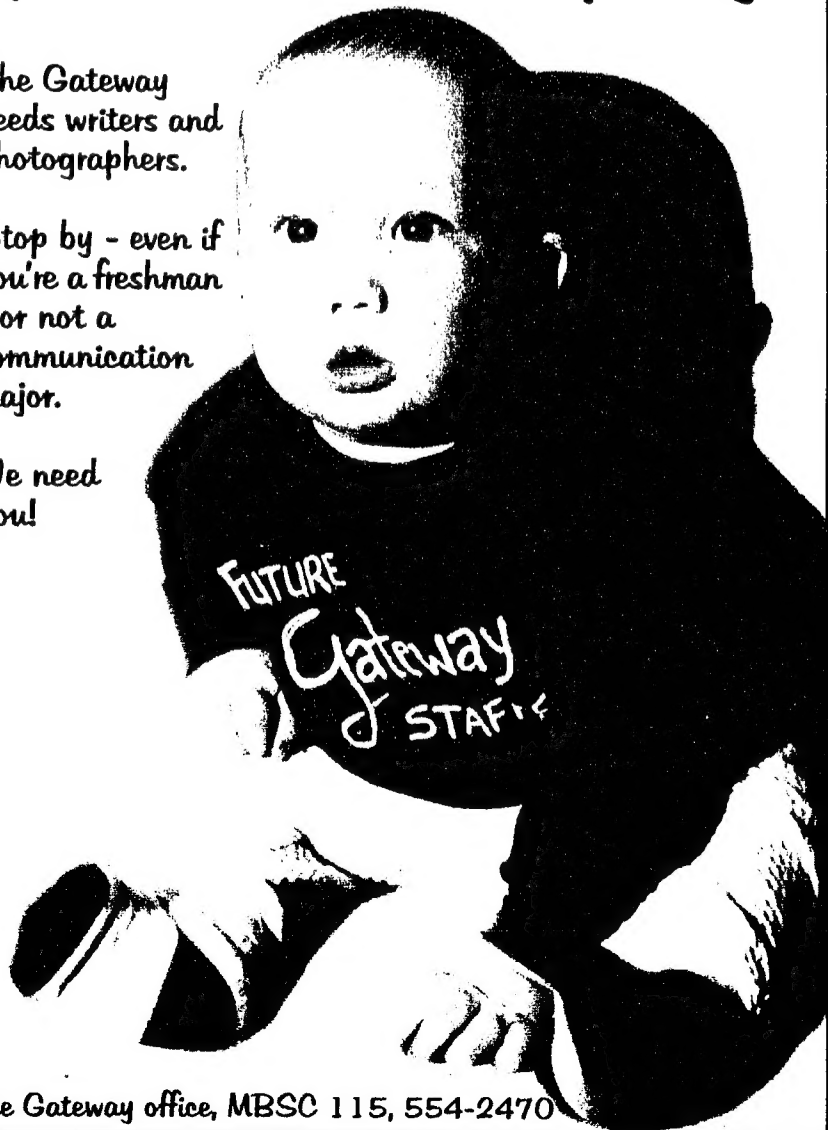
Erin Stratta from Marian High School was delighted with her award. "I won the first place for best column and my school won the first place for best in-depth story, and I think it's nice to finally get recognized because we don't in our school."

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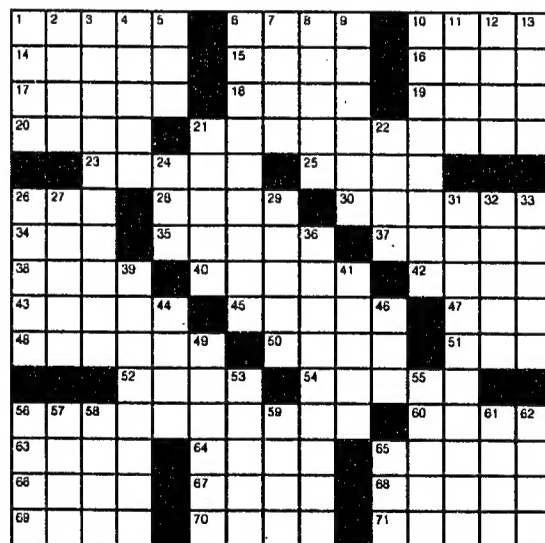
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Fine arts production explores new dimensions in Shakespeare

review by Margaret Boehme

Is it possible for academia to drive someone over the cliff of reality, only to fall 300 feet onto the rocky shores of insanity? What if while beached in another dimension, that unfortunate intellectual causally finds treasure of deep, occult knowledge and wisdom? Would the high of feeling like Solomon be worth the ride and potential crash into psychosis? Can the stress and mental strain of academic pursuits really force a person into insanity? As the end of the semester draws near, I have to unequivocally answer, "Yes!"

In UNOmaha's current production, "Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet)," questions surrounding the existence of other dimensions are not asked, the bearing of such realities are a rightfully given fact. Sorry, science majors!

The intricate plot focuses upon university assistant professor and Shakespearean scholar Constance Ledbelly. Diving deeper into the academically forbidden realm of her doctorate thesis, Constance maintains that the Shakespearean tragedies of "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet" were originally intended to be comedies. In addition to being harshly judged as a flake by her superiors and students alike for her unorthodox theory, Constance discovers that the object of her affections, teaching colleague Claude Night, rejects her not only romantically, but professionally as well. Ouch. In the depths of despair, Constance decides to give up and resign. However, before she can call the dean's office, Constance is magically transported into a Shakespearean reality.

Finding little time to question her sanity, Constance travels between the two worlds of "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet," and eventually these two realities converge. By the end, with the assistance of a multidimensional, intelligent and feisty Desdemona, and an open-minded, passionate and self-aware Juliet, a life-affirming transformation has occurred for Constance. She discovers the exciting and hidden truth of her doctorate thesis, and with that, a newly discovered confidence in her academic assertions. In addition, Constance finds solace and a fresh, healthier outlook towards her love life.

Written by Ann-Marie MacDonald, this play humorously tackles and analyzes predominant cultural myths surrounding

female identity and William Shakespeare's seemingly doomed and ill-fated fair sexed characters, bringing to a steady boil a question I've long held on the back burners of my mind, "What if Shakespeare was a woman?"

Brilliantly staged and directed by UNOmaha faculty member Susann Suprenant, this innovative and thought provoking production flows gracefully with its proficient five-member cast, portraying a total of 16 roles. The cast includes Bethany Felts (Desdemona, Ramona, Mercutio, Servant), Craig Fitzpatrick (Othello, Tybalt, Professor Night, Juliet's Nurse) and Lindsay Moore (Juliet, Student, Soldier).

Actress Kim Clark-Kaczmarek, in her portrayal of Ledbelly, presents a life force to be reckoned with, complete with all its heart-stabbing qualities and questions of self-identity, creditability, rejection and unrequited love. In her principle role of the introspective and slightly neurotic assistant professor, Clark-Kaczmarek portrays Ledbelly with subtle, endearing, Mary Tyler Moore tendencies, which like the last piece of a jigsaw puzzle, is welcome and fits snugly into the essence of the at times overwhelmed character. Like a sailboat on manmade waters, these familiar and much beloved, slight mannerisms provide an undercurrent of enthusiastic comedy which moves the play along at an enjoyable, breezy pace.

Looking through a crystal ball, one can clearly see actor Brandon Rohe on a professional stage. Through portrayals of four different characters (Romeo, Chorus, Iago, Ghost), Rohe's theatrical versatility, authentic character representation and sincere conviction to his craft cannot be easily denied — overlooked perhaps, as Rohe makes his numerous character transitions seem so easy and effortless. Rohe expertly weaves in and out of the traffic of his characters with consistency and accuracy, never sacrificing quality or emotional depth. Whether Rohe is a tragically dying Romeo, a "Twilight Zone"-inspired Rod Serling-like character, a deviously scheming Iago, or an obscenely hilarious Groucho Marx-like ghost in a graveyard, Rohe delivers real characters, experiencing real moments.

Production dates for UNOmaha's "Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet)" are April 11-14, with performances beginning at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$7 for adults. For reservations call 554-3062.



photo by Chris Machian

Navajo poet Laura Tohe reads selections of her works last Wednesday to a crowd in the Dodge Room in the Milo Ball Student Center.

UNO hosts Navajo poet

Michael Callahan, Jr.

Every once in a while UNO has some truly amazing people stop by to let us students pick their brains.

On April 4, Navajo poet Laura Tohe stopped by the Dodge Room in the Milo Ball Student Center.

Tohe, a native of Navajo reservations in New Mexico and Arizona, read for about an hour and a half excerpts from her latest work titled "No Parole Today." It's her first nationally published book, and was recently recognized as a Word Craft Circle National Award Winner.

She is no stranger to the Heartland; the wife and mother of two sons earned her master's degree and Ph.D. at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in the late '80s and early '90s. She also lived in Omaha for 11 years. Now in her early 40s, she calls beautiful Arizona home.

Her award-winning book is beloved by

a major following of poetry fans and professionals, and it's broken into two sections. The first is about her experiences growing up in an Indian boarding school in Albuquerque, N.M. The second half is a body of Indian poetry she composed after boarding school.

Although this is her first national release, this is not her first effort. Her other book, "Making Friends With Water," was published by the fine art press at UNO. Her poems have also been published in a variety of different anthologies and compilation books throughout the years.

Tohe is currently an associate professor of English at Arizona State University in Phoenix. She also teaches at Navajo Community College in Tsaili, Mexico, during the summer.

"No Parole Today" just went through its second printing and is available at the UNO bookstore for around \$9. It can also be found through Amazon.com.

What the world needs now: more Burt Bacharach

review by David M. Johnson

He wrote the lives of a generation of lovers. He etched four decades of liting memories. He took us to the movies, let raindrops fall on our heads and showed us the way to San Jose. He is cool and class, the type of cool and class that means something.

He is Burt Bacharach.

Bacharach was in town over the weekend for three toe-tapping, finger-snapping, tear-wiping performances at the Orpheum Theater. He was backed by three wonderful, young singers, a small group of traveling musicians and the spot-on Omaha Symphony.

The first half of the evening was given to the symphony, conducted by the very charming Ernest Richardson. Opening with a haunting flute and misty oboe, the orchestra swelled into the fast and furious music from "Riverdance." That was followed by a sassy rendition of "Brazil," then the taunting sway

of Jobim's "Girl from Ipanema." An audience "sing-a-long" version of Portal's "Sweet and Gentle (Cha Cha)" took us to intermission.

Bacharach appeared on stage to the roar of the audience, then smoothly glided to the piano as the orchestra broke into his theme song, "What The World Needs Now Is Love."

What followed next was a full half-hour of hits in rocket-fire medley. Hits like "Walk On By," "This Guy's In Love With You," "I Say A Little Prayer," "Always Something There To Remind Me," "One Less Bell To Answer," "What Do You Get When You Fall In Love," "Only Love Can Break Your Heart" and "A Message To Michael" were included. One had the feeling Bacharach could have put together five hours of medley and still not run out of hits.

Singer Josie James took center stage and belted out a beautifully soulful arrangement of "Anyone Who Had A Heart." Vocalist John

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Bari Koral Band to bring Joy to the Music Box

Christine Hollister

As she's driving down I-80 past deserted farm houses and barren cornfields in the heart of Iowa, you can almost see Bari Koral wave as she sings into her cell phone, "Oh, only 200 miles to Chicago — hello, Chicago!"

New York singer/songwriter Koral says she has enjoyed promoting her self-released CD, "Joy," throughout the Midwest.

"The Midwest is amazing," Koral said. "I've even met some cowboys that taught me how to line dance and two-step — I love it!"

Koral's hit song, "When I'm Gone," was featured on the hit NBC primetime show "Providence." She has been spotlighted on Oprah Winfrey's "Oxygen" and has appeared with Lenny Kravitz, Joan Osborne, The Doobie Brothers, Vonda Shepard, Lisa Loeb and many others.

"Joy" has been self-distributed by the entrepreneurial-minded Koral on her own LoopyTunes label, which she created in 1999.

"Doing this on your own is kind of like running for president," Koral said. "I'm kind of like a 3rd party candidate in an election. It's

"The Midwest is amazing, I've even met some cowboys that taught me how to line dance and two-step — I love it!"

harder to get coverage — you have to constantly be at it. It's hard, but the upside is you can create something all your own."

Koral dedicated "Joy" to her sister Jamie who was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis at age 26 a few years ago.

"It was a shocking thing for my family," Koral said. "Growing up I was not close to my sister. I was the product of a divorced family and it was hard. Ever since she's been sick, we've been very close."

Koral said she didn't have a central theme in mind when writing the songs for "Joy," but admits "every song is kind of a downer lyrically."

"Joy" is spiritual and melancholy — but it has rays of hope," Koral said. "I think there's always hope — I try to stay away from the victim thing."

Music has always been a part of Koral's life. She performed off-



photo courtesy of LoopyTunes

Bari Koral will bring her band to the Music Box this Wednesday to promote her self-released album "Joy."

Broadway as a child then attended film school following high school.

Koral said she grew up writing lyrics but didn't begin playing the guitar until just before graduation.

After college, Koral worked at a variety of jobs including temping at law firms, doing voice-over work and researching for Court TV.

"I was a researcher on the Dahmer trial," Koral said. "I knew everything there was to know about Jeffrey Dahmer."

Eventually, Koral made the decision to go on the road and

make music her career. She has been touring the midwest since January, and claims to have left a New York City-esque "path of destruction" behind her.

"New York City is wilder than a rodeo," Koral said. "The fans who come to the show will definitely be entertained — I bring them a little piece of New York."

You can find out more about the Bari Koral band on its Web site at BariKoral.com. The band will perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the Music Box.

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Movie review

Enemy at the Gates

review by Matt Burkey

I usually like war movies. I'll admit I like watching things go BOOM. But "Enemy at the Gates" is by far the most boring war movie I have ever seen. It should be called "Enemy at Your Wallet," because it's a waste of perfectly good money.

The true story about the infamous Russian sniper is set in the early days of World War II, months after Germany had thrust across Russia and was stopped by the one city that would allow them to take over the rich oil fields of the Far East, Stalingrad. From here we follow Vassili Zaitsev (Jude Law), a young army officer who, like the rest of Russia's young, is forced into combat. It is here that Law meets Commander Danilov, played by Joseph Fiennes. From that moment on, their lives will be forever entwined. Fiennes quickly moves up the ranks as a political officer and Law finds himself transferred to sniper duty, where his talent really lies.

In fact, Law is so good that the Germans call in their best sniper, General Koenig, played by Ed Harris, to find the young Russian and kill him before he causes the deaths of many more German officers.

The opening scenes were hellish and gory, proving that Hollywood today is striving to make war more realistic and less glamorous, but after the first half hour or so, you begin to wonder about the action.

They also add a romantic subplot in which both Law and Fiennes fall for



Ed Harris (above) stars in "Enemy at the Gates."

Rachel Weisz, who plays a young but battle-hardened soldier named Tania Chernova.

As far as acting goes, most but Fiennes did a wonderful job. Law makes a believable hero and even manages to pull off some of his corny one-liners with grace. Weisz is just as good as she was in "The Mummy," and she too handles some pretty bad lines but does a commendable job on trying to make them sound not so bad. Harris is superb as always, adding depth and compassion to a character that we assume would be cold and ruthless.

Fiennes would have been OK, but for some reason he just didn't make his character come alive to me. It looked like he had just memorized the lines and that was it.

The main problem I had with the film was that it was too long — two and half hours to be exact. That's an awful long time to sit in a movie theater, especially when the film moves as slowly as this one. Do yourself a favor, go ahead and let this movie slip past your gates, you'll be glad you did.

Grade: D+

Grand Olde Players offers spy 'chiller'

Whether you're popping Brian Singer's unprecedented film "The Usual Suspects" into your VCR or attending a local community theater play, everyone digs a who-dunnit once in a while. It's always a treat to engage yourself as a spectator as the clues unfold.

The Grande Olde Players Theatre's latest production, Monk Ferris's "Bone Chiller," is quite the brain-puzzler and takes true detective-type brain power to crack the case.

Set in what director Rodger Gerberding calls a place that "may or may not be Omaha (despite an added reference to Crossroads Mall during the show)," "Bone Chiller" is the story of 12 odd folks and their greed to acquire the fortune of a recently deceased rich man.

Ironically, as weird as many of these folks are, the deceased man's lawyer explains that the man requested they all be present at the reading of his will just weeks before his death. Once the anticipation had mounted, the lawyer opened the will, only to find it in the form of a brain-busting word puzzle.

The first to decode the will acquires the man's fortune. The problem is, every time someone is on the brink of descrambling the mess, they are mysteriously "silenced."

A few of the money grubbers caught up in the madness include Mauvins (Mark Manhart) the butler, Flame Fondue (Lori Eggiman) a kindergarten teacher, the man's lawyer, Alder Sheridan (Jerry Evert), the cook (Helen Ryan), the maid (Kristine Dunbar) and an odd, un-listed witchy-woman.

Manhart, a veteran of Omaha stage, is fantastic as the stuttering, scatter-brained butler. He is blisteringly funny throughout as every last line comes as pleasurably as the next. He will direct the theater's fall show, "Wife Begins at Forty."

Equally as impressive was the bottomless bass-voiced George Spelvin as Dan the cop. The surfer blonde-haired Spelvin's on-stage charisma is enthralling the second he graces the stage.

Director Gerberding, who sports a killer theater resume, did a great job of arranging this constantly moving montage of characters within such a small space to work with. His effort at devising the blocking schemes is evident.

Deserving a solo stage bow is Jeff McGilvray's brilliant

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Pigane followed with a Grammy-winner Bacharach co-wrote with Elvis Costello, "I Still Have That Other Girl In My Head."

Bacharach's turn at the mike came during the movie-theme portion of the night. First, however, came "The Look of Love," a million-seller not only for Dusty Springfield, but Sergio Mendes and Brazil '66 as well. "The Look of Love" was as rather unexpected hit, coming from the James Bond spy-spoof "Casino Royale," starring David Niven as the aged, retired Bond. "Arthur's Theme," from the Dudley Moore smash was next, then came the Tom Jones gold record "What's New Pussycat."

His voice is tired and raspy now

(Bacharach is 72), but the emotion and grace are still there. Few seemed to mind at all that some of the words to "Raindrops Keep Fallin' On My Head" crackled a bit. No one cared to notice the same when Bacharach laid into the most-anticipated song of the night, "Alfie."

"Close To You" and "What The World Needs Now Is Love" gave us all we needed for the encore.

From Elvis Costello to Dionne Warwick to Neil Diamond to Michael McDonald, Burt Bacharach has been the genius behind the music, behind the melody, behind the harmony. He continues to work and write for a new generation, this one tuned to Austin Powers.

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Lipschultz, James Johnson, Larry Stephens, Kevin Houser, Gary Hartzell, Don Nielsen, Barbara Weitz, Cindy Phaneuf and Leah Pietron.

The 2001 Named Professorships were Phani T. Adidam, Brent Bowen, Richard File, Jeffrey French, Charles Johanningsmeier, John Langan, Jack McKay, James Saker, Neal Topp and David Volkman.

Shuanglin Lin, of the economics department; Ineke Haen Marshall, of the criminal justice department; and Quiming Zhu, of the computer science department, were honored as distinguished research or creative activity award winners.



Theresa Barron-McKeagney received an Excellence in Teaching award.

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costume design. His plan to resalvage the eloquent looks from the black and white silent films is done beautifully.

Although some of the actors came off as bland, many performances were spirited. Evert had monstrous stage presence as the lawyer, Erik Nelson was solid as the young puzzle maker, Valerie Ford makes her Omaha stage debut, Anita Brettman was lovely as the quirky dowager Eloise and Chris Ritch provides plenty of dufus humor as Buzzy the pediatrician.

Ferris's script is certainly very smart as advertised, but its tendency to repeat itself was a bit annoying. Even the slowest of audience members could follow without the

rehashing. This rehashing unfortunately caused the show to drag on at times.

Despite a few dry spells here and there, "Bone Chiller" certainly manages to entertain and stump the audience with a surprise ending. The Grande Olde Players is a charming little theater, and certainly a worthy destination to add to your weekend festivities. Grab your love bunny or just a buddy, and go see who can solve the mystery first.

Call 397-5262 for reservations. The show runs through April 29 and is located at 2339 N. 90th St. (one block north of Blondo).

The big concert update

by Rae Licari

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- 5/03 Frank Black & the Catholics—Music Box
- 5/07 Insane Clown Posse—Ranch Bowl
- 5/09 The Big Wu—Ranch Bowl
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- 4/20 Sick Of It All—Knickerbockers
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- 4/24 Juvenile—Royal Grove
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- 5/16 Hed PE—Royal Grove
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- 4/10 Soulfly—Liberty Hall
- 4/12 Hatebreed—Bottleneck
- 4/16 Bside Players—Bottleneck
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- 6/11 Lake Trout—Bottleneck

KANSAS CITY, Mo.:

- 4/12 Billy Joel & Elton John—Kemper Arena
- 4/18 Yngwie Malmsteen—Beaumont Club
- 4/20 Trick Pony—Beaumont Club
- 4/21 Vince Neil Band—Beaumont Club
- 4/22 Southern Culture on the Skids—Grand Emporium
- 4/22 Psychedelic Furs—Beaumont Club
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Mavs air it out in scrimmage

Cory Carlson

The Mavericks' three quarterbacks passed for over 200 yards in the third scrimmage of the spring football season Friday. The offensive units combined for 399 yards in total offense. The team played 14 series in the 80-minute workout.

Not to be mistaken for the pass-happy St. Louis Rams of the National Football League, UNO must improve its passing game. Key parts of the running game are out this spring. Sophomore tailback Justin Kamrad remains sidelined (torn ACL) and junior James Johnson has been dinged-up as well.

Junior Seth Turman, the incumbent starter, looked the most polished, completing 8 of 14 passes for 82 yards. Turman also led the signal-callers in rushing with five carries for 37 yards.

Not to be overlooked, however, was the play of former starting quarterback senior Kwanzi Watts. Watts completed 5 of 13 passes for 98 yards and two touchdowns. Watts has, at times, shown the big-play ability that made him a potent weapon under center during the 1999 season.

The leading receiver in the scrimmage was Creighton Prep-product, redshirt freshman Mike Nizzi. Nizzi hauled in three passes for 40 yards. Howard Banks caught the first touchdown pass from Watts to cap a seven play, 72-yard drive. Senior Antoine Weatherspoon caught a 25-yard scoring pass from Watts. Weatherspoon's catch capped a four-play, 63-yard drive.

Defensively, the Mavs were not running at 100 percent for the whole day. Starting defensive end, senior Buck Rasmussen went down with a sprained ankle on the first play of the scrimmage. Fellow rush end Anton Caesar also left early with a bruised knee. The defensive units did hold their own however, not allowing a score until the seventh offensive series when Watts connected with Banks.

Freshman tailback Jeremy Anderson led all individuals in rushing with 38 yards on 10 carries. He also returned a kickoff 54 yards.

UNO will wrap up its spring football season with the annual Spring Game set for a 6 p.m. kickoff on Friday under the lights at Al F. Caniglia Field.



photo by Chris Machian

Jason Strack rounds third base to score during the Mavs first game against Morningside on Saturday. The Mavs won the first game 10-6.

Mavs open play with split

Cory Carlson

UNO won the first game on Saturday 10-6, then dropped the nightcap 13-8 against Morningside to open the North Central Conference baseball slate on Saturday. UNO was swept on Sunday 10-1 and 10-5.

It was all Morningside on Sunday. The Mustangs combined for 20 runs on 32 hits off of Maverick pitching in the two games.

The Mavericks are 11-18-1 overall and Morningside is 15-7 following this weekend's action.

UNO 10-6 Morningside, Saturday

After falling behind 6-4, the "Red and Black" exploded for a six-run sixth inning. Junior Matt Haynes got it started with an RBI single with the bases juiced, scoring sophomore Spencer Doyle from third base.

Sophomore catcher Aaron Beringer then gave the Mavs the lead for good with a two-run single, scoring junior Dan Persons and Omaha Ralston-product senior Jason Strack. Junior left-handed

batters Josh Johnson and Eric Rysdam both went yard for UNO. Rysdam is tied for the team lead in home runs with two so far this year.

UNO ace Aaron Woodard got the win to improve to 3-1. Woodard continues to lead the team in strikeouts with 29 on the year.

Morningside 13-8 UNO, Saturday

The Mavs also fell behind in this game, but this time it was too much to overcome. Morningside got eight runs in the top of the first inning and held on down the stretch to win. Rysdam had a two-RBI single in the bottom of the third inning to spark the comeback and cut the deficit to 8-5. However, the Mustangs got two runs in the top of the fourth and three more in the seventh inning to put the Mavericks away. Senior Kyle Funk took the loss and fell to 2-2.

Morningside 10-1 UNO

The Mustang bats came alive and the Mavericks could have just as well left its bats in the dugout. UNO starting pitcher sophomore Chris Tate had no answer for Morningside's Jose Vazquez.

Vazquez drove in three runs and teammate Juan Matta had three hits, including an RBI single to key the win. Tate took the loss and falls to 1-2.

Morningside 10-5 UNO

The Mavericks came out a little shaky in the second game, as evidenced by four errors committed in the first two innings.

Sophomore hurler Eric Gordon got the start, but exited quickly after UNO fell behind 10-0 after three innings.

Matta, once again, came up big for Morningside, hitting a single and scoring in the first inning to get them going.

Johnson and Rysdam each tripled to muster some offense for UNO, but the deficit was just too great. Gordon drops to 1-2 with the loss.

UNO plays host to Northwest Missouri State (12-19 overall) at J.J. Isaacson Field at 1 p.m. this afternoon. The Bearcats have won five of its last seven games. UNO resumes NCC play against Northern Colorado this weekend with a pair of doubleheaders Friday and Saturday.

Golfers take invitational game to Gothenberg

David M. Johnson

Head Coach Melissa Odell and the UNO golf team hosted the UNO Maverick Invitational at the Wild Horse Golf Club in Gothenberg, Neb., and came home with the bronze.

Nebraska-Kearney took the overall team title with a two-round score of 674. Northern Colorado (696) finished second and UNO (729) was third. Rounding out the scoring were Chadron State College (732), Southwest State University (749), University of the South (753), Nebraska Wesleyan (760) and South Dakota State (801).

Individual honors went to UNK's Carla Dobchuk who shot a 161 during the 36-hole event.

The Mavericks were paced by freshman Stephanie Oster. Her rounds of 86 and 90 (176) were good enough for a fifth-place tie on the individual board.

Freshman Katie Etter was one stroke back (177) and tied for seventh place.

UNO freshman Sandy Strate's 186 put her in a tie for 20th on the board, while senior Joey Simet's 191 tied her for 27th.

Mav freshman Molly Yeager was alone in 35th spot with a two-round score of 194, and fellow frosh Abbey Morrissey carded a 198, good for a tie for 39th.

The Mavs have a week to rest up, then head to Northern Colorado on April 15.

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Tracksters finish second at Truman State Bearcat Invite

Cory Carlson

Truman State edged UNO 154-152-1/2 to win the women's team title at the Bearcat Invitational Track Meet in Maryville, Mo., on Saturday.

A late victory in the 1,600-meter relay was the difference for Truman State.

The top Maverick performer was junior Carly Lambert. Lambert won both

the 100 and 200-meter dashes. Lambert also joined teammates junior Keonna Shaw, sophomore Adrienne Danner and freshman Sarah Long to win the 400-meter relay.

Other Mav winners included freshman Yasmine Malone in the high jump and sophomore Michelle Ellingson in the 5,000-meter run.

No more Mr. Nice Guy

Melissa Kucirek

One minute is an eternity.
That is if you're Jim Wolfe.

In just one minute, Wolfe took second and third-place honors at the 31st National Taekwondo Association Tournament, held in Madison, Wisc., during the last weekend of March.

Wolfe, a second-degree black belt, finished with the bronze medal in the form division and a silver in fighting.

The Shenendoah, Iowa, native and fifth-year senior-to-be, said his adrenaline was pumping at the tournament, but he just couldn't capitalize.

"Inside I was, 'this is it, it's time to show everyone I can do it,'" Wolfe said. "And I lost. I have gotten first place before, it just wasn't my weekend."

The competition Wolfe endured involved a pool of 200 participants. Five fighters sparred for one-minute face-offs in each division. The competition involves light-to-no contact. Hitting is allowed, but it cannot be hard hitting.

"We want to make people look good," Wolfe said.

Wolfe said he simply tries to find an opening and take it, nothing more, nothing less. He doesn't prepare each match with a run-down of exactly what he will do.

"You can learn all the different moves, but if you think about it too much, by the time you think of all the combinations of moves, you've already lost," Wolfe said.

Form competition is described as an art form.

"It's a combination of all different movements we do," Wolfe said. "Kicks, blocks, punches."

Wolfe has been involved with the sport



Jim Wolfe shows off his medals. The medals are modeled after the 1988 Olympic medals from Korea.

since Oct. 1990. It's a family affair. His brother and father are both black belts, and visit Omaha for Saturday morning practice at Kim's Taekwondo School, located near 72nd and Dodge Streets. He said his mom refuses to join the sport, though she's never given him an exact reason as to why she doesn't participate.

"She doesn't want to iron a fourth uniform," Wolfe said. "We (my brother and father) don't know how to iron, so she has to do it."

Between not ironing and studying to become a high school history teacher, Wolfe

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Softball sweeps springtime series

David M. Johnson

No. 6 UNO women's softball team sailed through the North Central Conference North/South Tournament held Saturday and Sunday at Sioux City, Iowa. With three wins on Saturday and two more on Sunday, the Mavs improved to 30-3. This is the 12th straight year the softball team has hit the 30-win mark.

More importantly however, senior pitcher Michelle Manthei broke the UNO school records for career strikeouts and career wins.

UNO defeated St. Cloud State 3-2, South Dakota State 13-4 and Minnesota State-Mankato 3-0 on Saturday. Manthei took the win in all three games.

Sunday's lineup saw the Mavs take down No. 2 North Dakota State 2-1 in nine innings, and North Dakota 10-0.

UNO 3-2 St. Cloud State

Senior Michelle Manthei became UNO's all-time strikeout leader in the top of the fourth inning, surpassing Amy Boyd (398 Ks) who tossed for the Mavs between 1990-93.

Senior Jennifer Carson stroked a double as the Mavs rapped out seven hits and took advantage of four Huskies errors for the 3-2 win.

Manthei gave up only two hits over seven innings of play.

UNO 13-4 SDSU

UNO's Erin Drinnin cracked a home run to lead the offensive onslaught, and the Mavs cruised to a 13-4 win over the Jackrabbits of South Dakota State.

Kelly Moats stroked a pair of doubles and drove in four runs for the Mavs, while teammate Sarah Scheppers drove in four with a double and a single. Carson had four singles in the game. Kelsey Duckworth raced to a triple.

Manthei gave up eight hits to SDSU, but laced a double herself in the 16-hit attack.

UNO 3-0 MSU

Manthei won her 74th career game for the Mavericks, and in doing so, tied the school record along with Amy Boyd and Amy Pick. How appropriate this victory was a three-hit shutout, her eighth shutout of the season. She gave up just three hits and struck out 10 in the game.

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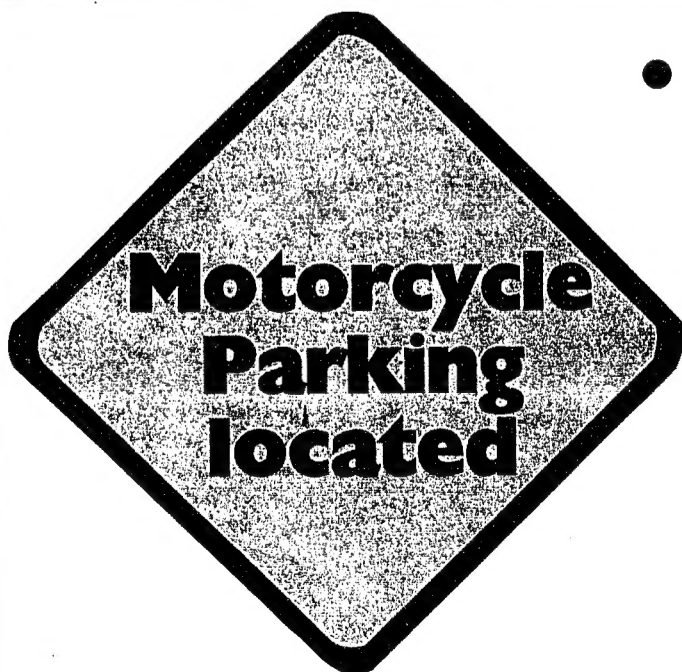
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Ancient art alive and kicking in tournament

Josh Williamson

On April 7, members of the UNO Black Belt Association may not have stolen the show at a Kansas City, Mo., tournament, but they were able to walk away with more experience under their belts.

The club set out to participate in the 15th annual Kansas City Taekwondo championships just after most of us were finishing lunch April 6. The small caravan of cars reached the first rendezvous, a training seminar lead by three-time Taekwondo Olympian Juan Moreno, around 4 p.m. Later, much later, the group nested down for the night (1:30 a.m.). Most of the fighters were not able to gather much sleep, as the morning wake-up call came only five short hours after finally getting comfortable with the hotel pillows.

The tournament began with Taekwondo forms. In most martial arts disciplines, forms are used as part of the testing procedure when advancing through belt colors, but during tournaments, fighters are awarded points on the accuracy and grace of a form. Every member of UNO's Black Belt Association placed in the top five of the forms competition, many winning medals for their efforts.

Clara Guy, an incoming freshman, was the first UNO team member to fight. The junior black belt division ushered in the sparing matches, which would last throughout the day. UNO's Justin York, Emecka Igboekwe, Kent Le and Kumiaki Susuki followed with matches in the colored belt divisions. In addition to fighting students from familiar universities such as Iowa State, the UNO students faced competition from around the world. Teams from Ireland, Kenya, Mexico and Nigeria made the trip to share in the



Above: Junior black belt Clara Guy (right) strikes her opponent in the stomach. Fighters are awarded points based on placement and power of hits. Right: Cameron Milander wins gold in his black belt division for the accuracy of his 'form.'

competition.

Wrapping things up with the most-heated battles, the senior black belt division fights were the last events. Ruth Foutz and Cameron Milander, president and vice president respectively of the BBA, fought among nationally ranked competitors and Olympic trainees. While neither of UNO's senior black belt fighters was able to subdue his opponent for a win, they would not be shut out. Foutz and Milander did not let an adversary go without a hit scored upon them.



photos by Josh Williamson

Peanut Gallery

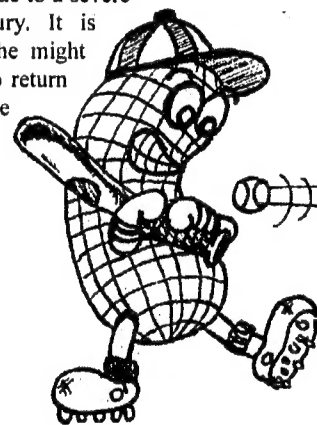
- Props to UNO runner **Carly Lambert**. The junior was named Outdoor Track Co-Athlete of the Week for April 3, 2001. She won the 100-meter dash in the UNO Invite in a time of 11:88 seconds, provisionally qualifying her for the NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

- Props to UNO defenseman **Greg Zanon**. The sophomore was named to the 2000-2001 JOFA/AHCA Division I Hockey All-American Second Team. Zanon had 12 goals and 16 assists for the Mavs last season, and set the school record for power-play goals (8). He is UNO's first hockey All-American.

- Props to Mav senior forward **Jason Cupp** who won the prestigious Humanitarian Award given annually to the collegiate hockey player who best personifies character and citizenship. Cupp, a criminal justice major, developed "Scoring for Kids" in Omaha to help promote cultural diversity in the city's youth hockey programs. He has also worked as a counselor for the Pacific Pals workshops and was a volunteer for both the Omaha Multiple Sclerosis Walk and the Children's Miracle Network.

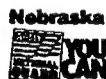
- UNO baseball Head Coach **Bob Herold** has been given permission to work as hitting coach for the Omaha Golden Spikes once the UNO season is over. Herold was with the KC Royals organization prior to signing on last year with the Mavs.

- Single-game rushing record holder **Justin Kammrad** is out of spring football practice due to a severe knee injury. It is believed he might be able to return some time this fall.



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takes time to do his stretches in his dorm at University Village. He said he doesn't jump in fear of waking up his neighbors.

"My roommates have been asking me questions," Wolfe said. "They asked if I could beat Jean Claude Van Damm. I don't know."

There was a time when many would have laughed if they even heard of such the idea of Wolfe against Van Damm. Describing himself as a shy kid until seventh grade, Wolfe said a incident with a classmate turned some heads.

Wolfe said his eyes blink rapidly to noise, and as a drummer in the school's band, it caused attention. He got picked on by other kids in his class.

One classmate started clapping his hands loudly in Wolfe's face. Wolfe used some Taekwondo moves on him, and never had "any troubles from that guy again."

"The principal was just glad to see that I stood up for myself," Wolfe said.

The discipline he has learned from Taekwondo has had a positive effect on his schoolwork and relations with people. He has lost his shyness and "opened up," not to mention conquering the required 20-page term paper and written test required for black belts.

"It's all a part of the determination and discipline to see if you can handle a black belt," Wolfe said

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Offensively, the Mav bats were quiet until the top of the seventh inning, when UNO scored all three of its runs. The big blast came from the bat of Jenne Averill, whose triple plated two runners. Carson continued her torrid pace, grinding out two more hits.

UNO 2-1 NDSU

The Mavs avenged an earlier 4-1 loss to North Dakota State back on Mar. 17 with a 2-1, nine-inning squeaker on Sunday.

Manthei (15-2) pitched the complete game for her 75th career win, moving her into the top spot on UNO's all-time list. She scattered 10 hits, but was able to out-duel NDSU's Graham, stopping the Bison's 25-game winning streak.

UNO won the extra-inning affair in the bottom of the ninth when Kelsey Duckworth singled home Kelleigh Warren.

UNO 10-0 North Dakota

Coach Tostenson game Manthei a rest, handing the ball instead to Erin Drinnin. Drinnin (3-0), subbing for the injured Krista Unger, tossed a complete-game, three-hit shutout. All three of the junior's wins have been the blank variety, and she has given up just 11 hits in 21 innings of work.

Carson had another three-hit game, including a double and a triple. Tiffany Jones was 3-3 as well, driving in three runs. Duckworth added a double in the 13-hit bombing.

UNO continues its march through NCC opposition with an April 10 doubleheader at Augustana. The Vikings, under Head Coach Sandy Jerstad, are 28-10. The Mavs then host Morningside in a double dip April 11. The Mustangs are coached by Jessica Jones-Sitzman and are 15-14 on the year.

Horoscopes

Predictions by Madame Zora

Aries (March 21 – April 19)

After having to cover yourself from head to toe in layers because of the crazy winter, you're determined to go 'au natural' this week.

Taurus (April 20 – May 20)

People see you as a mean person sometimes, but you're not, you're just misunderstood. And besides that, who the *\$* do they think they are calling you mean?

Gemini (May 21 – June 21)

The disk you have saved your 20-page final project to has just got stuck in the disk drive. Don't panic. And then remember to keep on not panicking.

Cancer (June 22 – July 22)

Hello my pretty. And bark-bark-barrk to your little dog too.

Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Give me a break, give me a break. That's all. No, it's not the Kit-Kat jingle. I don't care what you say, it's not that. Oh for crying out loud, will you just give me a break? Don't start that again.

Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)

Advice: Looking for a summer job? Get one now before the high schoolers take them all and you find yourself wandering aimlessly through the empty roads of

Omaha searching for a decent way to make some money. An overstatement? I don't think so.

Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 23)

The power shortage in California has made you nervous. Unfortunately storing all those Duracell batteries won't help you too much.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 – Nov. 21)

Dear Scorpio,
Stop following me around or I'll put the cops on you. Better yet, I'll put the cops on you. Did I already say that?

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)

You learn this week that in anger, your words just don't make too much sense.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)

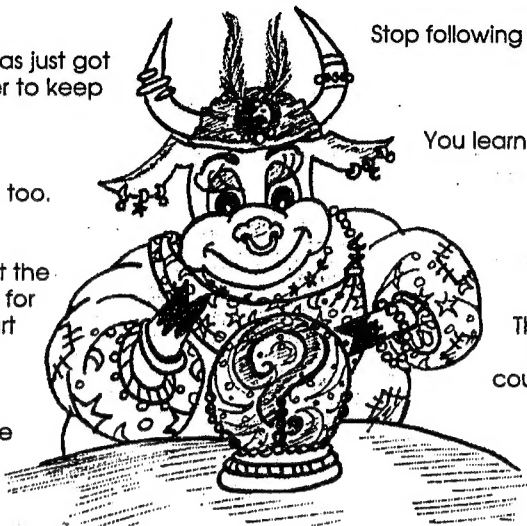
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Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)

This week will be very hectic for you. Along with late car and house payments, you find out that your long-lost cousin in Malaysia is bringing his family to come visit you for a week. On top of that you broke a nail.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

Three weeks until finals. Screw it. Go to Hawaii now.



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investment you can make," Miller said. "Given the cost of education, it is logical and just that you should pay more."

Regent Randolph Ferlic supported additional need-based scholarships.

"Modest increases in need-based scholarships are very warranted," Ferlic said.

Regent Nancy O'Brien said she wanted the decision to send a clear message to the Legislature and state that it is not solely the university's place to provide need-based scholarships.

Regent Don Blank said need-based aid should come from the state, not the Board of Regents.

"It should not be on our backs. It should not be our responsibility," Blank said.

Regents Hassebrook and Matzke were concerned with economic hardships on Nebraska farms and a commitment to the Morrill Act. UNL, a Morrill Act recipient, is a land-grant based institution.

Other motions on the agenda included an amendment to approve the bylaws relating to the transfer of reduced tuition and fees for full-time employees to an employee's spouse and dependent children. The motion to include a broader term of spouse or dependents to include domestic partnerships was not passed.

Public comments took the allotted 30 minutes, with presentations from several UNL professors, staff and students. UNO Faculty Senate President Wally Bacon spoke, as did Hollis Glaser of the communication department.

All public remarks favored changing the wording of the amendment to include domestic partnership. Bacon said it should be changed to make it inclusive enough to benefit "our students and our university."

Glaser said the benefits towards gay or lesbian partnerships is a serious concern among her colleagues at UNO.

"Many are seriously considering leaving the university," Glaser said, expressing the concern of a broader definition of benefactors.

George Wolfe, who has taught in the UNL English department for the past 35 years, told the Board his partner of 27 years would pay \$2,000 more a year for health coverage. He quoted a Board of Regents policy that ensures employees "are equally treated in regard to the terms and conditions of their employment without regard to individual characteristics."

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UNL student Angela Clements, recently named Senator of the Year and Truman Scholarship recipient, said she was very grateful for the university, but as an openly gay woman, there was something missing on the campus for her.


"A climate of freedom," Clements said.

She continued to say she would not attend law school at UNL because of its administrative policies.

Regent Miller opposed the addition of domestic partners as benefactors and provided 10 reasons why. Among his reasons: the Nebraska state law that doesn't recognize civil unions, benefits are not provided to grandparents of NU employees, domestic partners were unlikely to have offspring, and if the Board approved they would be against the public opinion expressed in the recently adopted state constitutional amendment 416.



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10 am Sigma Kappa
11 am Campus Crusade
11:45 am Wellness Stampede
12 noon Project Achieve Workshop
12 noon ESC Luncheon
12 noon "Not For Ourselves Alone"
12 noon Student Programming
12 noon Women's Resource Center
12 noon United Christian Ministries
12:30 pm Student Democrats
2 pm Staf Advisory
3 pm Student Employee Reception
4 pm Student Health Advisory Council
4 pm Faculty Colloquium
5 pm UNO Ambassadors
5:30 pm CHAMPS Parent Dinner
6 pm Alpha Xi Delta
6 pm Faculty Women
7:30 pm Mary Allen Presentation
7:30 pm Criminal Justice Student Org.

7:30 pm Lambda Theta Nu

Wed., April 11th

7 am Chapter Summary
11 am Traffic Appeals
11 am Campus Crusade
11 am Recruitment Services
11:30 am Public Administration
11:30 am Cheshire Grin
12 noon Omicron Delta Kappa
12 noon African American Organization
12 noon AA Meeting
12 noon A.L.A.S.
12 noon Chapter Summary
12 noon Project Achieve Workshop
1 pm Library Reference Department
1:30 pm Stephenson Interns
1:30 pm Intertribal Student Council
2 pm Faculty Senate
2 pm Student Programming
3 pm Pi Kappa Alpha
3 pm Student Leadership Reception
3 pm Latino Youth Conference Comm.
4 pm Psychology
7 pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes

8 pm College Republicans

Thurs., April 12th

8 am Criminal Justice Career Fair
9 am Consider This . . .
9 am Goodrich Faculty Retreat
11 am Doctoral Committee Meeting
11 am Quest
12 noon Goodrich Faculty Retreat
1 pm Criminal Justice Career Fair
2:30 pm Gender & Leadership
2:30 pm Panhellenic
3 pm Chancellor's Comm./Status of Women
7 pm Delta Sigma Pi
8 pm Campus Crusade

Fri., April 13th

7:30 am Sigma Lambda Beta
8 am Student Leadership
11:30 am Retention Committee
11:45 am Political Science Honors Luncheon
12 noon Arnold Air Society

12 noon Student Programming
12 noon Interfraternity Council
1 pm Active Learning Teaching Circles
1 pm The Edge/Focus
2 pm Judicial Board
4:30 pm Campus Ministry International
6 pm Beta Alpha Psi
7 pm Quest

Sat., April 14th

8 am Air Force ROTC
8:30 am Zeta Phi Beta

Sun., April 15th

3 pm Delta Sigma Theta

Mon., April 16th

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